

II. REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons set forth in the Amendment filed April 12, 2007.

This paper is responsive to a July 12, 2007 Notice wherein the Examiner requested review of the status identifiers for claims 63 and 66. To that end, Applicant has re-submitted the Listing of Claims. Dependent claim 63 is now identified as previously presented and the underlying of a phrase within claim 66 has been removed. In reviewing the claims, Applicants also noted that in independent claim 47, the word “the” in the phrase “a TS gene in the biological sample” was inadvertently underlined. The underlining has now been removed.

Per the July 12, 2007 Notice, no other issues are outstanding. In view of the above-listing of the claims, consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

III. CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check or credit card payment form being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37

C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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